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PREFACE

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In the interest of uniformity, the titles and letter designators for the facilities observed at these installations are identical with those appearing in the project requirement. When a specific facility is not observed both its title and letter designator are omitted in the report.

Titles and letter designators for the various facilities are as follows: (A) railroad service, (B) road service, (C) landing strips, (D) administrative and troop housing areas, (E) storage areas, (F) ammunition storage areas, (G) POL storage areas, (H) other buildings and facilities, (J) equipment storage/maintenance areas, (K) athletic fields, (L) small arms firing ranges, (M) driver training areas, (N) tank/assault gun firing ranges, (P) flat trajectory firing ranges, (Q) artillery emplacements (batteries), (R) infantry or combined arms field training areas or courses, (S) special training facilities, (T) unidentified facilities or tracking activity.

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HELICOPTER INSTALLATION

(52-58N 049-23E)

BEZENCHUK, KUYBYSHEVSKAYA OBLAST, USSR

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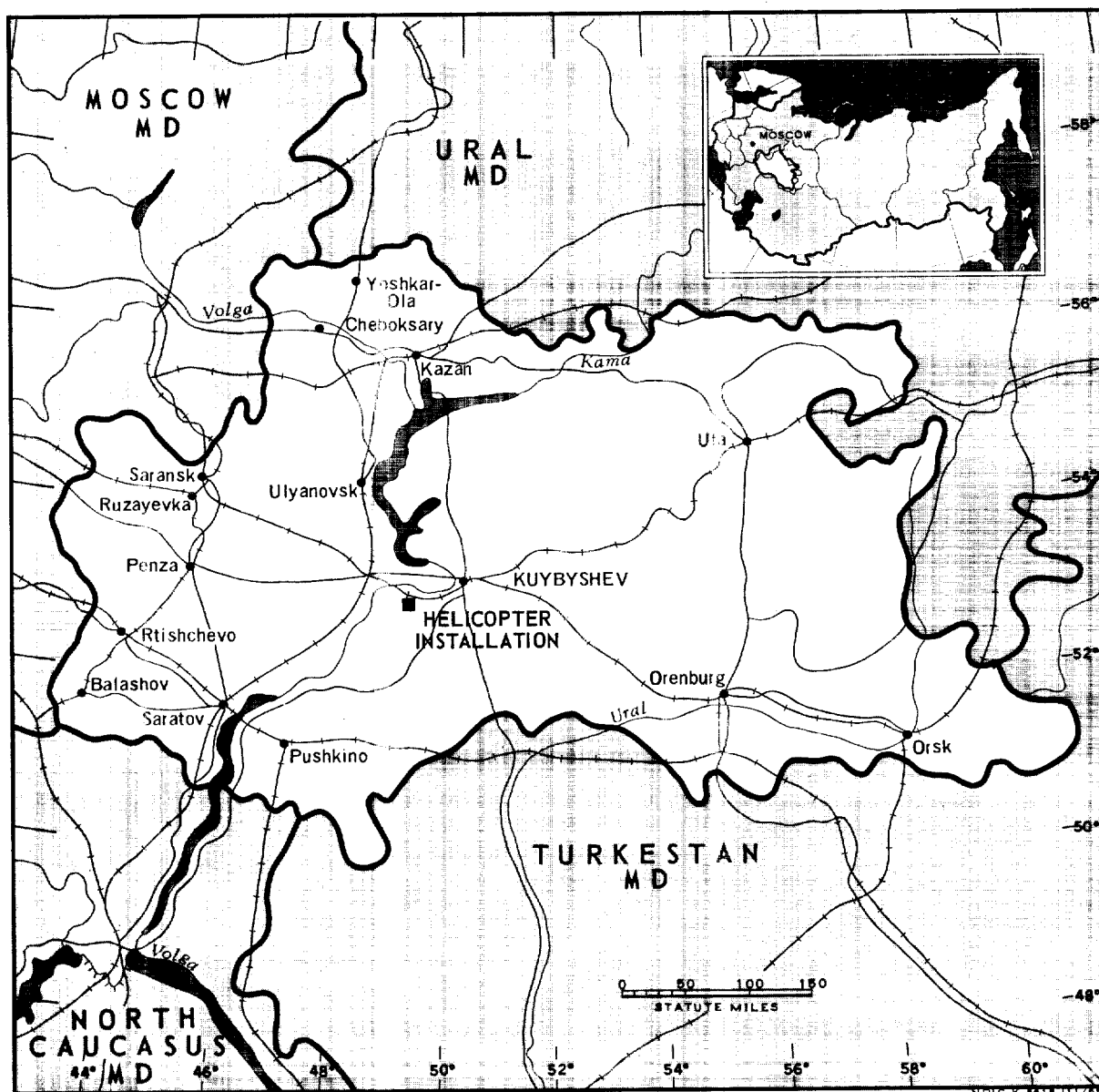


FIGURE 1. LOCATION OF HELICOPTER INSTALLATION.

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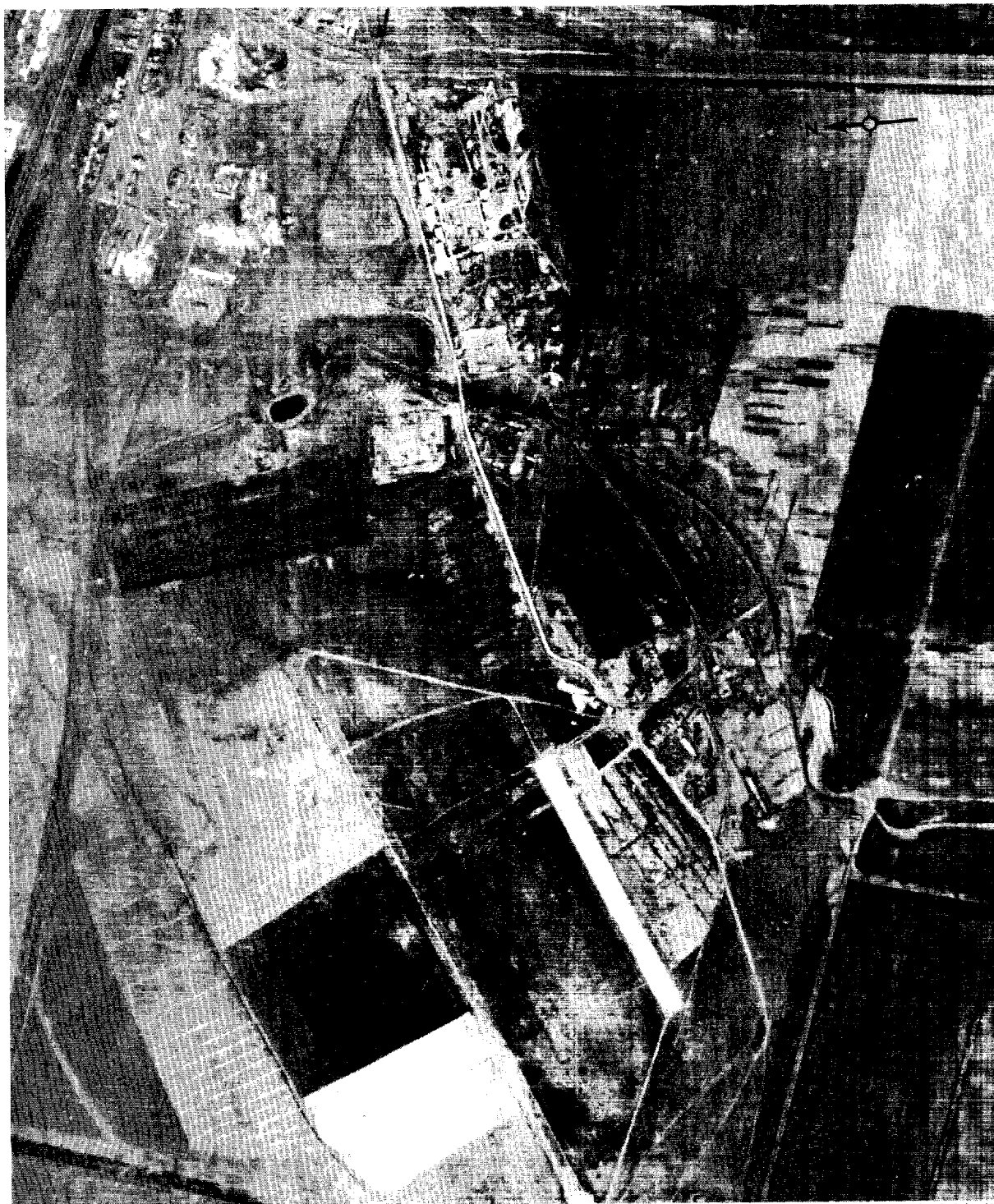


FIGURE 2. HELICOPTER INSTALLATION, BEZENCHUK, USSR,

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SUMMARY

A helicopter installation is located immediately southwest of Bezenchuk and 21 kilometers (km) west-southwest of Chapayevsk (Figure 1). It consists of an unsecured landing facility and a secured support area, covering approximately 110 and 90 acres, respectively (Figures 2 and 3).

The support area contains 9 barracks, 3 administration buildings, 22 miscellaneous buildings, 1 water tower, and an athletic field. The landing facility contains 17 unidentified buildings, and a runway approximately 2,500

feet long. There is also a 400-foot range, probably used to test aircraft guns. Thirty-five helicopters are parked south of the strip.

[redacted] missions covered this area between [redacted] [redacted] this installation was an active airfield for fighter-type aircraft (Bezenchuk Airfield, [redacted] and included 2 landing strips, 8,000 feet and 11,500 feet in length. These strips no longer appear active. There has been no change in the buildings.

DESCRIPTION OF INSTALLATION

Railroad Service

Rail service is available in Bezenchuk 1 km northeast.

Road Service

Good secondary roads serve the area.

Aircraft Landing Strips

Area C1 contains a helicopter runway approximately 2,500 feet long.

Area C2 contains an inactive air strip, originally 8,000 feet long.

Area C3 contains an inactive air strip; approximately 5,800 feet remain of the original 11,500 feet.

Administration and Troop Housing Area

Area D contains 9 multistory barracks, 3 multistory administration buildings, 4 storage buildings, 6 support buildings, and a water tower.

General Storage Areas

Area E1 contains 2 storage buildings and an open storage area, possibly used for POL.

Area E2 contains 6 storage buildings and an open storage area.

Area E3 contains 4 storage buildings and an open storage area.

Other Buildings

Area H contains 17 unidentified buildings.

Equipment Storage/Maintenance Areas

Area J1 contains 5 motor vehicle storage buildings (one 120 feet by 30 feet, one 125 feet by 30 feet, one 140 feet by 35 feet, and two 160 feet by 35 feet), 2 storage buildings, and 4 support buildings.

Area J2 contains approximately 35 helicopters of undetermined type.

Athletic Field

Area K is an oval personnel athletic field.

Small-Arms Firing Range

Area L is a possible range 400 feet by 30 feet.

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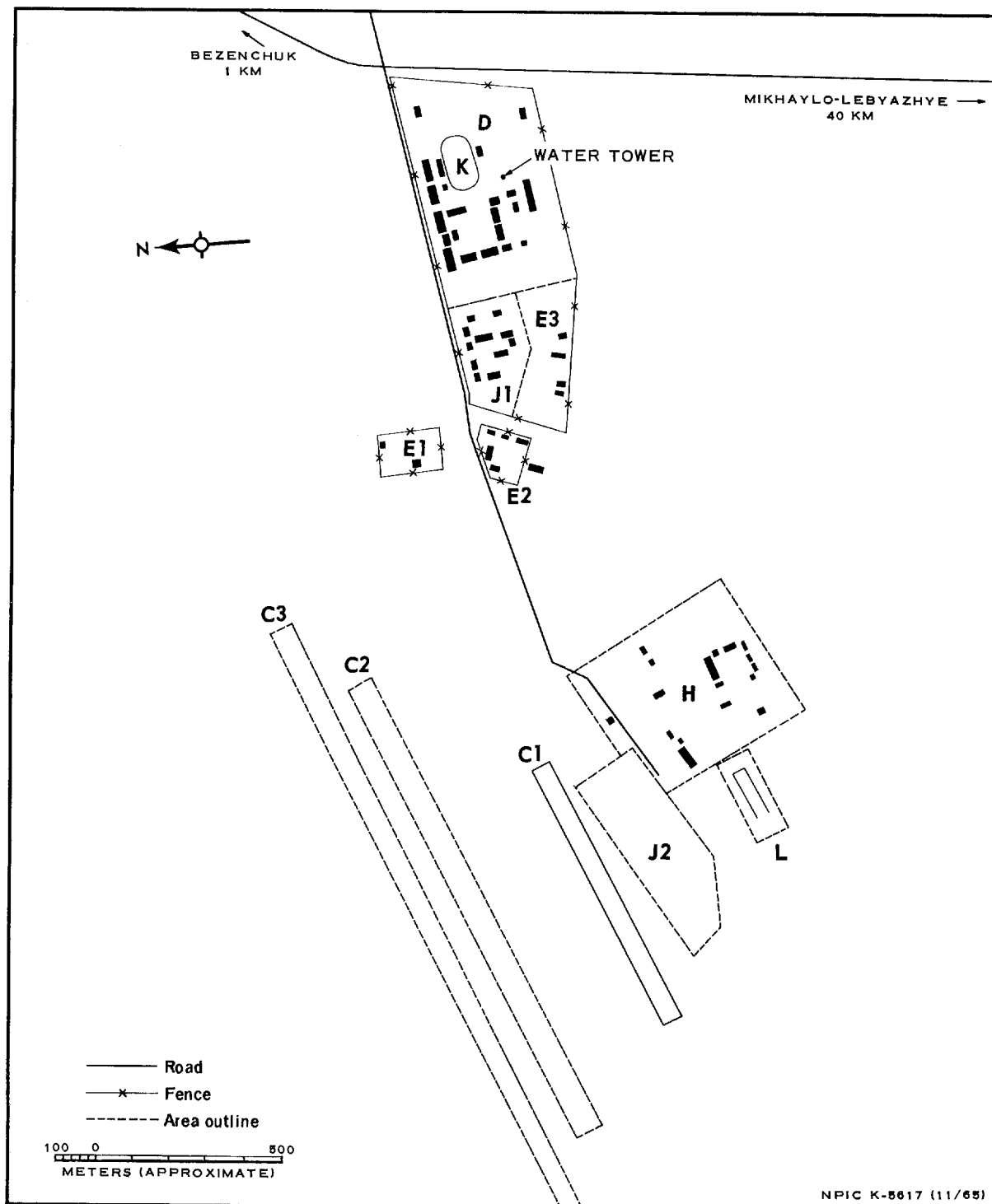


FIGURE 3. HELICOPTER INSTALLATION. Sketch compiled from

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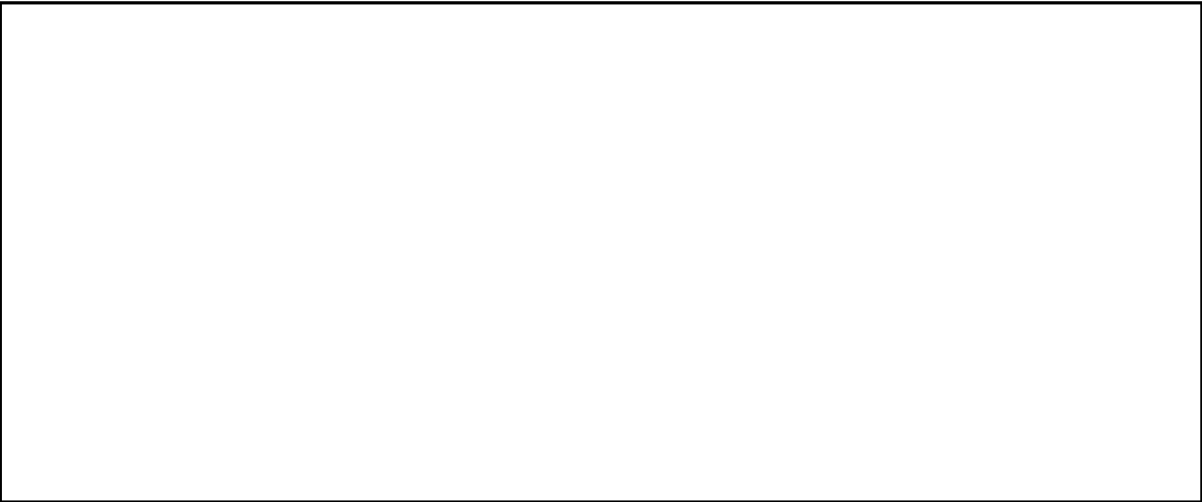
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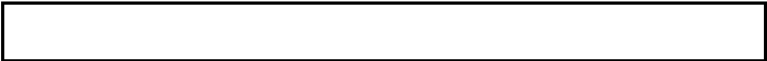
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